BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS FRIDAY, APR. 18

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Hit 2 top choice winners, including Best Play winner UNUSUALLY HOT (\$17.00); and 7th race trifecta for \$200 on a \$36 investment.

Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 7, 8 and a \$36 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with a Pick Six carryover of more than \$97,000, I will give out two suggested P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. IWINFORLYNN (3) 2. CONCLUSIVE (7) 3. AMBASSY (8)

2nd race--

1. LET'S GO SHOPPING (3) 2. THEMIS VALENTINE (1) 3. ADARLYN CAT (4)

3rd race--

1. PACK YOUR BAGS (4) 2. MR. COOL (8) 3. SOUVENIR MOMENT (2) 4. DOIN DEEDS (3)

***4th race--

1. CARMAN (1) 2. POP'SHANDS ARE HOT (7) 3. TIZSONG (6)

Maidens coming down the hillside turf course in the first leg of the Pick Six. I will play the trifecta keying around my top three choices in the first and second spots, then use ALL for third. In post position order, use CARMAN (5-2), who keeps getting close (four seconds from seven starts) and looks like the one to beat if he takes to the grass; TIZSONG (12-1), who has been away since Del Mar but has trained in good style and may take to the lawn; and POP'S HANDS ARE HOT (6-1), who didn't fire last time but switches to Bejarano and goes to the turf. His sire, Unusual Heat, has produced an incredible 25 winners at this meet.

Trifecta numbers: 1,6,7/1,6,7/ALL=\$48 plus, trifecta box 1-6-7

5th race--

1. HEMET (2) 2. MONARCHO POLO (3) 3. MOON MISSION (1)

6th race--

1. QUASIMODO (2) (P6 SINGLE) 2. KINGDOM COME (5) 3. SAMWISE (6)

***7th race--1. RENEGADE RUBY (8) 2. STEPPIN OUT ROSE (5) 3. SILVER SWALLOW (9) 4. QUEEN OFTHE CATSLE (1) In a competitive first-level allowance heat, I like the chances of RENEGADE RUBY (5-2). The Canani-trained filly disappointed one back but ran a good second in a productive turf race last time and now cuts back to the 7 furlong distance. She should be in a great stalking trip from outside and be very tough to deny through the lane. I will play a pair of trifecta tickets keying 'RUBY with QUEEN OFTHE CATSLE (7-2), STEPPIN OUT ROSE (8-1) and SILVER SWALLOW (3-1).

Trifecta numbers: 8/1,5,9/ALL=\$21 and 1,5,9/8/ALL=\$21

***8th race--

1. CALIFORNIA BLAZE (5) 2. DEVILS AFLEET (7) 3. FORT FUNSTON (1A) 4. RETURNING (4)

In a nearly impossible downhill race, I will give the edge to CALIFORNIA BLAZE (6-1). He broke his maiden when debuting over this layout in October, then was overmatched on Cal Cup day. He's been off since November but can fire fresh and has trained steadily for this. Make a **Win Bet on 'BLAZE** and key him on a pair of trifectas with the following five horses: D. DOUBLE YOU/FORT FUNSTON (5-2 entry), ENACTMENT (5-1), RETURNING (5-1), ERNIE OWL (12-1) and DEVILS AFLEET (3-1).

Trifecta numbers: 5/1,3,4,6,7/1,3,4,6,7=\$20 and 1,3,4,6,7/5/1,3,4,6,7=\$20

9th race--

1. GO FLAGS BRO (5) (P6 SINGLE) 2. SMART DEMAND (7) 3. COOL COMMANDER (11)

***\$36 PICK 4 TICKET (races 6-9):
6th race--QUASIMODO
7th race--QUEEN OFTHE CATSLE, STEPPIN OUT ROSE, RENEGADE RUBY, SILVER
SWALLOW
(Alternate: HIT SHOW)
8th race--ALL
9th race--GO FLAGS BRO
Pick 4 numbers: 2/1,5,8,9/ALL/5=\$36

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